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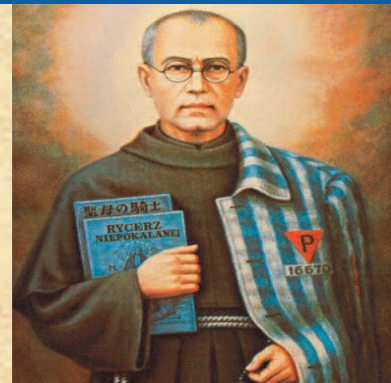
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Office Hours: Monday - Friday 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Mass Schedule: St. Max: Weekday 9:00 a.m. - Saturday 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday 9:15 & 10:30 a.m. St. Agnes: Tuesday-Thursday 6:45 a.m.,  
Friday 8:15 a.m. - Sunday 8:00 & 11:45 a.m.

Reconciliation: St. Max Saturday 3:15-3:45 p.m. or by appointment

Baptism: by appointment

Matrimony: Couples must contact Father Dan before a date can be set.



#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Simone Miller (St. Max)

#### ORGANIZATIONS

St. Vincent de Paul Society at St. Max  
Paul Lockard, President

St. Maximilian Kolbe Seniors  
Colleen Zuger, President

St. Maximilian Kolbe Ladies Guild  
Mary Stibrik, President

St. Maximilian Kolbe Catering  
Jo Stevens

St. Maximilian Kolbe Fish Fry  
Dennis Moyle

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Mission Statement of St. Agnes: St. Agnes Parish, established in West Mifflin, PA in 1867, is a viable Catholic community that witnesses the message of Jesus through the talents of its members who are nurtured by the Holy Spirit. Our mission is to invite people to know and become one with Jesus Christ reaching out in service to all.

Mission Statement of St. Maximilian Kolbe: St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish has a proud ethnic and faith-filled history. Our goal is to live the Gospel each day, to welcome everyone, to reach out to the churched and unchurched, and to be a living presence of Christ to the community through prayer and activities. All that we do is centered around the Eucharistic table of the Lord.

APRIL 30, 2017

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

**May is the month dedicated to Mary, Our Blessed Mother.** We will gather on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. in St. Max to pray the rosary. All are welcome to come and join us.

**May 1st is the Feast Day of St. Joseph the Worker** - Let us follow the example of Joseph, who worked and cared for the Holy Family so diligently. Joseph doesn't get much credit, but he was a loyal faithful servant of God. Let us follow his example by doing what we need to do with love and commitment.

**On Mission for the Church Alive Team Members** - are asked to attend a meeting for St. Max on **May 1st** at 7:30 p.m. in the rectory. St. Agnes team members will meet on **May 2nd** at 7:00 p.m. in St. Agnes Parish Hall.

**Ephesians IV Prayer Group** - will meet on **Monday, May 1st** at 7:30 in St. Agnes Church. All are welcome!

**Disney Goers** - All funds must be paid in full by **May 1st**. If not, please contact Father Dan immediately.

**St. Max Seniors** - will meet on **Thursday, May 4th** beginning with Mass at 11:00 a.m. New members are always welcome!

**St. Max Purse Bash** - The St. Max Purse Bash will be held on **Saturday, May 6th** at St. Max Hall. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. Beginning at 6:00 p.m., drawings will be held every 15 minutes with the Grand Prize drawing at 9:15 p.m. Featuring purses by Michael Kors, Brahmin, Torry Burch, Kate Spade, Stella McCartney and more! Tickets are \$25 and include dinner, full bar, and three numbers on each ticket for chances to win all evening. For more information, or to purchase tickets, please call 412-461-1054.

**HELP IS NEEDED** - We are in need of volunteers to help things run smoothly. We need people to sell Chinese Auction tickets, side raffle tickets, 50/50 sellers, bartenders, food prep, table bussers. A brief meeting is set for **Wednesday, May 3rd** at 7:00 p.m. at St. Max. If you can lend a hand, please be present at the meeting.

**Chinese Auction** baskets and gift cards are needed for the Purse Bash. If you would like to donate a basket, please drop it off at the rectory by **May 3rd**.

**Easter Flowers at St. Max** in Memory of Frank and Mary Jakubcak requested by Tim and Thereesa Senich.

**May Crowning** - St. Max May Crowning will take place on Mother's Day, **May 14th** at the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Mrs. Colleen Zuger was chosen to represent our parish this year. Immediately after Mass, a brunch will be served in the parish hall. Why not bring Mom to church and then come for a wonderful meal and not have to fight the crowds and long waits for overpriced food. The brunch is open to all in attendance.

**Save the Date!** The St. Vincent de Paul truck will be at St. Max on **May 19-20-21st**. More details to follow!

**A Farewell Celebration for Father Martin** - As you know, Father Martin will be completing his studies in May. His future plans are uncertain at this point in time, but he will either be going to work in New York or travel back to Africa. He will also be celebrating his birthday on May 5th. We would like to thank Father Martin for his two years of service to us and to wish him well and celebrate his birthday. And so, on **May 7th** we will be holding a celebration for Father Martin immediately following the 10:30 Mass at St. Max. Please call the rectory by May 1st if you plan to attend.

**Fish Fry Workers at St. Agnes and St. Max** - For all Fish Fry volunteers, bakers, and all who helped work the Fish Fry at St. Agnes and St. Max, you are invited to get together on **Thursday, May 18th** at 6:00 p.m. in the parish hall of St. Max. It is easier for me, Father Dan, to have one combined social gathering for food prep and scheduling purposes. Besides, we were not in competition with each other because of the distance. And so, you and your family are invited. Please call the rectory by May 15th to make reservations so there is enough food or not too many leftovers.

**Baby Bottle Drive** - The Pregnancy Resource Center is once again holding a baby bottle drive. Bottles can be found in the back of St. Max Church. Please take one home, fill it with your loose change, and return it to St. Max by Mother's Day. Thank you for your generosity.

**Fish Fry** - Please note that the Fish Fry has closed for the summer. It will reopen on September 1st. Thank you for a wonderful year!

**Adoration** - Please note that there will not be Adoration on Fridays during the months of May through August. Adoration will resume on September 1st at noon. Please note that St. Max Church is open Monday through Saturday from 7:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. and Sundays from 7:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. You are more than welcome to stop in and make a visit.

### *A Special Note of Thanks*

A special thanks to all who donated baked goods for the St. Agnes and St. Max fish fries. A special note of thanks to all the volunteers who gave many, many hours to help the fish fries be the greatest. St. Agnes School received \$15,500. Holy Trinity received \$6,000 for the use of their kitchen and hall. St. Max raised \$42,820, plus we were able to purchase a new fryer, buy 12 new tables for the parish hall, and make a repair on the walk in freezer and cooler that cost almost \$2,000.

### *On Mission for the Church Alive!*

**HE WAS MADE KNOWN TO THEM IN THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD** — As the two disciples encountered the risen Jesus on the road to Emmaus their hearts were burning within them. He celebrated the Eucharist and opened the scriptures to them. Do our hearts burn within us as we encounter Jesus at Mass? *On Mission for The Church Alive!* seeks to enliven the worship of every parish so that our hearts can burn with love as they are transformed by the Eucharist. Consider singing in the choir, reading at Mass, or participating more attentively at Mass so that God's work can be done through you even more. Visit [onmissionchurchalive.org](http://onmissionchurchalive.org) to stay involved.

### *St. Max Ladies Guild News*

The Mother's Day Flower Forms can be found in the back of the Church. What a nice way to remember the special ladies in your life by placing a carnation in their honor on the Blessed Mother altar. The deadline to return the forms is **Sunday, May 7th** in the collection basket or **Monday, May 8th** through the mail.

### *Serving St. Maximilian Kolbe Next Week*

#### **May 6th**

4:00 p.m.	Lector	Cindy Graham
	Ministers	Fran Kearns Kathy Schmidt Jo Stevens

#### **May 7th**

9:15 a.m.	Lector	Louise Pokrifka
	Ministers	Bob Dietzen Kathy Dietzen Nathan McCullough
10:30 a.m.	Lector	Lisa Guckes
	Ministers	Mary Brekosky Mary Ann Frena Chuck Komorosky

## *Nashville - A Country Christmas* *November 27-30, 2017*

### **Highlights Include:**

Gaylord Opryland Resort ~ Christmas Dinner & Show ~ Ticket to ICE  
General Jackson Showboat Lunch Cruise ~ Treasures for the Holidays  
Grand Ole Opry at Ryman Auditorium ~ Delta River Flatboat Ride  
Special Broadway Christmas Production ~ Nashville City Tour

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\$999.00 per person based on double occupancy  
\$985.00 per person based on triple occupancy  
\$1,299.00 per person based on single occupancy

A \$100 per person deposit is due to secure your reservation with the balance due by September 15th. Make all checks payable to St. Maximilian Kolbe and send to 363 West 11th Avenue Extension, Homestead, PA 15120. Refund policy - full refund on cancellations made by September 15th. An optional trip cancellation insurance is available for \$52.00 per double/triple occupancy or \$82.00 per single occupancy. Insurance premium is due with initial trip deposit.



## St. Agnes School News

**Looking for Volunteers** - St. Agnes is looking for volunteers to weed in front of the Church and the island in the parking lot, and to keep the flowers that we will provide deadheaded throughout the season. Our parishioners who always took care of this are no longer able to do it. Come whenever you can. We like to keep our grounds looking nice at all times. All we ask is that you let Jason, Father Dan or Sister Cynthia know you are willing to do this. Thank you to those who did it in the past, and thank you to whoever steps forward and continues this task.

**First Holy Communion** - will take place next **Sunday, May 7**, at the 11:45 Mass. We have 16 youngsters making their First Holy Communion, so this Mass will be crowded and probably a little longer. You are more than welcome to attend because First Communion is a parish celebration.

**Band Concert** - St. Agnes Band Students will be participating in a combined Band Concert at Homestead Library Carnegie Music Hall on **May 7th** at 7:00 p.m. This is a combined Catholic Diocesan Schools Concert involving students St. Agnes, St. Therese, St. Rosalia and St. Raphael schools under the direction of Ms. Brittany Baradziej. It is free and open to the public. If you like music, come and see what our elementary students can play.

**Congratulations!** Congratulations to our St. Agnes 5th graders who entered the Earth Day Poster Contest sponsored by the United States Department of Energy. The students all received a certificate of participation and Preston Janusek received an Honorable Mention placing in the top 4.

**Spring Cleaning - White Elephant Sale** - While you are spring cleaning, start gathering your items for the White Elephant Sale. We will be collecting items on **May 31st** from 2:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m., and from **June 1st through June 5th** from 8:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. in St. Agnes Social Hall. Our White Elephant Sale will be Friday and Saturday, **June 9th and 10th**, and after the 11:45 a.m. Mass on **June 11th**. More information will be coming in the next several weeks.

## St. Agnes Festival News

We are planning great things for the three day festival to be held July 28-29-30th. The festival food selection is going to be extended greatly, and so, we need chairpeople to work one of the food booths and volunteers as well. It would be great if the chairperson could get their own volunteers for their booth for each night. Your other responsibility is to help bring up the food each night and to clean the utensils that you use. You don't have to worry about cooking the food. All you need to do is serve it.

We need workers/chairpeople for the following areas: German, Slovak, Italian, American, Carnival Food, Ice Cream, Bake Shop and Bar.

We will need people who are willing to sell 50/50 each night, raffle tickets, Chinese Auction tickets, inflatable attraction tickets.

We will also need people who are willing to work the game booths.

We will need grounds keepers to empty trash cans.

As you can see, we need many, many hands and at least 12 key people. A meeting is set for **Wednesday, May 10th** at 7:00 p.m. in St. Agnes Hall.

## Serving St. Agnes Next Week

### May 7th

8:00 a.m.	Lector Ministers	George Krevy Jim Bevan Connie Minchoff Sister Cynthia
11:45 a.m.	Lector Ministers	First Holy Communion Jack Funa Nancy Funa Rose Anne Needham

St. Agnes

Mass Intentions

<b>Sun., Apr. 30</b> 8:00 a.m. 11:45 a.m.	<b>Third Sunday of Easter</b> Betty DeLello - Popojas Family Father Joseph Grosko
<b>Mon., May 1</b>	<b>St. Joseph the Worker</b> <b>NO MASS</b>
<b>Tues., May 2</b> 6:45 a.m.	<b>St. Athanasius, Bishop &amp; Doctor</b> Gill, Loran & Cook Families - Family
<b>Wed., May 3</b> 6:45 a.m.	<b>Saints Philip and James, Apostles</b> Sandy Zera - Rose Anne Needham
<b>Thurs., May 4</b> 6:45 a.m.	<b>Easter Weekday</b> Wilson, Willis & Bergmann Families - Family
<b>Fri., May 5</b> 8:15 a.m.	<b>Easter Weekday</b> Lawrence McElhinny - Richard McElhinny
<b>Sat., May 6</b>	<b>Easter Weekday</b> <b>NO MASS</b>
<b>Sun., May 7</b> 8:00 a.m. 11:45 a.m.	<b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b> Jack Yousko - Gustashaw Family Joseph Stavor and Tillie Stavor - Bev & Jim Stavor & Family

Please Pray for Our Beloved in the Military

—Timothy A. Oeler, AMN USAF - Grandson of Tom & Marguerite Oeler and Nephew of Tom and Peg Smith

St. Agnes Collection Report

April 23, 2017

Offertory	\$2,206.00
Parish Share	\$ 125.00
Angel Fund	\$ 100.00
Candles	\$ 57.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,488.00</b>

Parish Share Update

Assessed	\$18,565.00
Paid	\$ 2,500.00
Owed	\$16,065.00

Mass Intentions are available at St. Agnes and St. Max. To schedule a Mass, please send your intention as well as payment to the rectory or place in the collection basket.

The Diocesan Victim Assistance Hotline: 1-888-808-1235

St. Maximilian Kolbe

Mass Intentions

<b>Sat., Apr. 29</b> 4:00 p.m.	<b>St. Catherine of Siena, Virgin &amp; Doctor</b> Helen Komorosky - Charles and Louise
<b>VA - Aspinwall</b>	Special Intention - Cookie Miller
<b>Sun., Apr. 30</b> 9:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	<b>Third Sunday of Easter</b> Larry Sharp - Family Helen Piskor - William and Donna Kiefer
<b>VA State Home</b>	Minh Nguyen - Family
<b>Mon., May 1</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>St. Joseph the Worker</b> James Watts - Judy Watts
<b>Tue., May 2</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>St. Athanasius, Bishop &amp; Doctor</b> Lovenia Ashoff - Diana and Paul Kuzma
<b>Wed., May 3</b> 9:00 a.m.	<b>Saints Philip and James, Apostles</b> Walter Malutinok - Martina Bosko
<b>Thurs., May 4</b> 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	<b>Easter Weekday</b> Patricia Kascak - Marlene Straub Margaret Csokuly - Paul Martin
<b>Fri., May 5</b> 9:30 a.m.	<b>Easter Weekday</b> Lovenia Ashoff - Al Ashoff
<b>Sat., May 6</b> 4:00 p.m.	<b>Easter Weekday</b> Larry Beatty - Bill & Roseann Olack
<b>VA - Aspinwall</b>	Special Intention - Cookie Miller
<b>Sun., May 7</b> 9:15 a.m. 10:30 a.m.	<b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b> John and Susan Brekosky - Family Gus Piskor - William and Donna Kiefer
<b>VA State Home</b>	Special Intention - Cookie Miller

Candles on the Altar at St. Max

Gladys Borsch requested by Steve and Stephanie  
Al Walter requested by Wife and Son

The Sanctuary Candle is lit this week for John Kudrik requested by the Kudrik Family.

St. Maximilian Kolbe Collection Report

April 23, 2017

Offertory	\$4,270.00
Parish Share	\$ 487.00
Candles	\$ 182.00
Fundraising	\$ 121.31
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,060.31</b>

Parish Share Update

Assessed	\$61,826.00
Paid	\$ 3,200.00
Owed	\$58,626.00



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